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Please Note: New vendors and subcontractors must supply all required paperwork (Appendix 1, Financial Statement, and 3 Reference Letters) and must register in the Online Representations and Certifications Application (ORCA). In addition, all vendors must also be registered in the CCR, within 48 hours after bid opening or your company may be considered non-responsive.

FV-307

Fruit and Vegetable Programs

Date Issued: September 4, 2007

Dried Fruit, Announcement FV-307, Invitation 050

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell dried fruit as indicated below and per the Announcement for distribution to child nutrition and other domestic food assistance programs. Offers are due by **1 p.m., Central time, Tuesday, September 18, 2007**. Acceptances will be announced by midnight, October 19, 2007. Deliveries are to be made from November 16, 2007 through April 30, 2008.

Offers are invited from the trade for:

Natural Thompson (sun-dried) Seedless Raisins	144/1.33 oz. box	65,208 cases
Natural Thompson (sun-dried) Seedless Raisins	24/15 oz. pkg.	1,728 cases

No offer will be made to 8(a) vendors on this invitation.

Note: Funds are not presently available for contracts awarded for **FY 2008**. The government's obligation for contracts issued is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds from which payment for contract purposes can be made. No legal liability on the part of the Government for any payment that may arise until funds are made available to the Contracting Officer for these contracts and until the Contractor receives notice of such availability, to be confirmed in writing by the Contracting Officer.

Note: The raisins purchased under this invitation must be Natural Thompson (sun-dried) Seedless Raisins as defined in the U.S. Standards Type (I) - Seedless Raisins (1) Natural or (2) Vine-dried (DOV).

The product must be 100% grown, processed and packed in the United States from the 2006-07 or later crop year of Natural (sun-dried) Seedless raisins which have not been reconditioned by washing and drying.



Bids must be submitted electronically via the Domestic Electronic Bid Entry System (DEBES) on the internet. Offerors who submit bids using other than DEBES, will be deemed non-responsive. Offeror must be assigned a Logon ID by USDA to access the site. The Internet address is: <http://pcsd.usda.gov/debes> which translates into a connection of <https://pcsd.usda.gov:3077/mdbc1000.exe?> Once connected, follow the online procedures. A "HELP" button provides detailed instructions for using the system or call 202-720-4517 for assistance.

Bidders are cautioned to bid only quantities they can reasonably expect to produce and deliver in accordance with the contract. Inquiries about Announcement FV-307, Appendix-1, the Commodity Specification for Dried Fruit dated May 2004 or this Invitation should be directed to the Contracting Officer, USDA/AMS/ Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Commodity Procurement Branch STOP 0239, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, DC 20250-9410, telephone (202) 720-4517. An electronic version of this Invitation can be obtained through the World Wide Web via the Commodity Procurement Home Page at <http://www.ams.usda.gov/cp>.

Purchases will be made on a delivered to destination basis, subject to Announcement FV-307, to the listed locations. Delivery by trucks or railcars is optional to the contractor, except for those destination(s) which specify delivery by truck only or rail only.

Split shipments are indicated by a single asterisk.

ANNOUNCEMENT : FV307
 INVITATION : 050
 COMM GROUP : 35 FRUITS, DRIED
 COMM TYPE : 40 RAISINS
 PACK SIZE : 20 144/1.33 OZ BOX

ITEM NO	DESTINATION CITY	ST	TRANS RESTR	QUANTITY (CSE)	PRICE PER (CSE)
DELIVERY PERIOD 11/16/07 - 11/30/07					
001	COMMERCE	CA	TRUCK ONLY	741	
	LOS ANGELES	CA	TRUCK ONLY	2,223	
002	POMONA	CA	TRUCK ONLY	2,964	
DELIVERY PERIOD 12/01/07 - 12/15/07					
003	CHICOPEE	MA	TRUCK ONLY	1,482	
	TAUNTON	MA	TRUCK ONLY	1,482	
004	WILMINGTON	MA		1,482	
	WORCESTER	MA		1,482	
005	CENTRAL ISLIP	NY	TRUCK ONLY	2,964	**
006	CHARLESTON	WV		2,964	
007	INDEPENDENCE	MO		2,964	
008	CORDELIA	CA	TRUCK ONLY	1,482	
	SACRAMENTO	CA	TRUCK ONLY	1,482	
009	KENT	WA		2,075	
	SPOKANE	WA		889	
DELIVERY PERIOD 01/01/08 - 01/15/08					
010	HALFMOON	NY	TRUCK ONLY	741	**
	MARCY	NY	TRUCK ONLY	741	
	MILTON	NY	TRUCK ONLY	1,482	
011	PORT NEWARK	NJ		1,482	*

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DELIVERY PERIOD 01/01/08 - 01/15/08

	VINELAND	NJ		1,402	
	VINELAND	NJ	TRUCK ONLY	80	

012	JOHNSON CITY	TN	TRUCK ONLY	314	
	MADISON HEIGHTS	VA	TRUCK ONLY	1,099	
	RICHMOND	VA	TRUCK ONLY	1,551	

DELIVERY PERIOD 01/16/08 - 01/31/08

013	WINTER HAVEN	FL		2,964	
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014	CREEDMOOR	NC	TRUCK ONLY	2,964	
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015	CREEDMOOR	NC	TRUCK ONLY	1,467	
	SALISBURY	NC	TRUCK ONLY	1,497	

016	PHOENIX	AZ	TRUCK ONLY	2,964	
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017	COMMERCE	CA	TRUCK ONLY	741	
	LOS ANGELES	CA	TRUCK ONLY	2,223	

DELIVERY PERIOD 02/16/08 - 02/29/08

018	CENTRAL ISLIP	NY	TRUCK ONLY	2,964	
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DELIVERY PERIOD 03/01/08 - 03/15/08

019	HALFMOON	NY	TRUCK ONLY	741	**
	MARCY	NY	TRUCK ONLY	741	
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020	CONCORD	NH	TRUCK ONLY	2,964	_____
021	COMMERCE	CA	TRUCK ONLY	741	_____
	LOS ANGELES	CA	TRUCK ONLY	2,223	_____
DELIVERY PERIOD 04/01/08 - 04/15/08					
022	POMONA	CA	TRUCK ONLY	2,964	_____

COMM TYPE : 40 RAISINS
PACK SIZE : 50 24/15 OZ PKG

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DELIVERY PERIOD 11/16/07 - 11/30/07					
023	POMONA	CA	TRUCK ONLY	1,728	_____

TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE 66,936

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 Felicitas Lofton
 Contracting Officer
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 Fruit and Vegetable Programs

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